GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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AMENDMENT OF ANTI DUMPING LAWS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any demand from the WTO member countries to amend the anti-dumping laws to make it less-discriminatory;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of cases in which anti-dumping measures were taken against discriminating countries since 1995; and

(d) the number of such investigations carried out by the Government during last one year along with names of the countries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) and (b) In pursuance of the Doha Ministerial Declaration of 14 November 2001, negotiations are being undertaken at the World Trade Organization (WTO) with a view to improving and clarifying the disciplines in respect of the Anti-Dumping Agreement. These negotiations are being undertaken in the Negotiating Group on Rules.

(c) According to WTO statistics, during the period 1st January 1995 to 30th June 2004, in 1567 cases anti-dumping measures were imposed by WTO member countries.

(d) In the year 2004, the Directorate General of Anti-dumping and Allied Duties initiated 10 Anti-dumping investigations. The countries involved in these investigations are China PR, Chinese Taipei, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, European Union, Brazil, Mexico, USA and Ukraine.